

## slit

slit (slĭt) *noun*

A long, straight, narrow cut or opening.

*verb, transitive*

slit, slit-ting, slits

1. To make a slit or slits in.
2. To cut lengthwise into strips; split.

[Middle English *slitte*, from *slitten*, to split, from Old English *sliþan*, to cut up.]

— slit'ter *noun*

— slit'ty *adjective*

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